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TOPIC Evacuation of German civilian population from the
WUSTROW Peninsula

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26 September to 4 October 1949

1. The evacuation of the German civilian population from the WUSTROW (M 55/O 51) peninsula was started 26 September 1949. About 2,200 Germans had been resettled in GUESTROW (M 54/T 98), NEUBRANDENBURG (N 54/Y 66), NEUSTRELITZ (N 54/U 54), STRALSUND (N 55/P 44) and BAD DOBERAN (M 55/O 72) by 4 October 1949. The Mecklenburg state government was in charge of this evacuation which had to be completed by 12 October 1949. All persons who were to leave the peninsula were allowed to take their belongings and furniture with them. All expenses arising with the transfer of the population were paid by the government. There were rumors that a Soviet strong point or an AAA school was to be established on the WUSTROW peninsula.

Mid-October 1949

2. About six hundred families from RERIK (ALT SAARTZ M 55/O 51) were resettled in the ANKLAM (N 54/U 99) area up to 15 October 1949. The evacuation was effected by Soviet order. Numerous Soviet naval officers and personnel were observed inspecting the evacuated area of RERIK.

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Comment:

- a. The information was confirmed by several other sources:

(1) Two sources observed the arrival in PARCHIM (M 54/T 74) of Germans from RERIK on 28 September 1949. (C-2 and F-2).

(2) A third source observed Germans evacuating RERIK in late September 1949 (F-2).

(3) A fourth source witnessed the arrival in KLEIN MOLZAHN (N 54/U 48) of a RERIK family on 1 October 1949. (F-2)

(4) A fifth source reported in early October 1949 that the

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WUSTROW peninsula was being vacated by the German population (F-2).

b. The reports of several sources confirm newspaper dispatches saying that the WUSTROW peninsula was being vacated by the German population.

c. According to unsubstantiated information (r), the Flak Kaserne, WISMAR (where, among other units, the 288th Sds Mtz Rifle Regt/94th Gds Mtz "Mile Liv" is stationed) was scheduled to be vacated by troops and to be occupied by Soviet Zone German police in late 1949. The troops from the kaserne were allegedly to be transferred to RERIK.

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